

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1(previously presented). A material for the storage of hydrogen comprising : a plurality of bundles comprising single wall carbon nanotubes, wherein greater than 75 percent of the diameters of the single wall carbon nanotubes range from 0.4 to 0.8 nanometers and the average length of the single wall carbon nanotubes is less than or equal to 1000 nm and wherein the heat (-ΔH) of hydrogen adsorption of the material is within the range from 5.3 kcal/mole H₂ to 7kcal/mole H₂.

2(original). The material of claim 1 wherein the average length is less than or equal to 500 nm.

3(original). The material of claim 1 wherein the average length is less than or equal to 200 nm.

4(previously presented). The material of claim 1 wherein the material comprises less than 5 weight percent of metals.

5(original). The material of claim 4 wherein the average length is less than or equal to 500.

6(previously presented). The material of claim 1 wherein the material comprises less than 5 weight percent of carbon in any form other than single wall nanotubes.

7(cancelled).

8(cancelled).

9(previously presented). The material of claim 1 wherein each bundle comprises at least 7 single wall carbon nanotubes.

10(previously presented). The material of claim 1 wherein each bundle comprises at least 100 single wall carbon nanotubes.

11(previously presented). The material of claim 1 wherein the distance between the single wall carbon nanotubes in the bundles is between from 0.3 to 0.4 nm.

12(cancelled).

13(cancelled).

14(cancelled).

15(previously presented). A process for the storage and release of hydrogen in a vessel comprising a plurality of bundles comprising single wall carbon nanotubes, wherein greater than 75 percent of the diameters of the single wall carbon nanotubes range from 0.4 to 0.8 nanometers and the average length of the single wall carbon nanotubes is less than or equal to 1000 nm and wherein the heat (-ΔH) of hydrogen adsorption of the material is within the range from 5.3 kcal/mole H₂ to 7kcal/mole H₂: wherein said process is selected from the group consisting of: pressure swing adsorption, temperature swing adsorption or pressure and temperature swing adsorption.

16(previously presented). A process for the storage and release of hydrogen comprising the steps of:

providing a vessel comprising single wall carbon nanotubes comprising a plurality of bundles comprising single wall carbon nanotubes, wherein greater than 75 percent of the diameters of the single wall carbon nanotubes range from 0.4 to 0.8 nanometers and the average length of the single wall carbon nanotubes is less than or equal to 1000 nm and wherein the heat (-ΔH) of hydrogen adsorption of the material is within the range from 5.3 kcal/mole H₂ to 7kcal/mole H₂

introducing hydrogen into the vessel while increasing the pressure to a sorption pressure; and

discharging the hydrogen from the vessel by decreasing the pressure from the sorption pressure to a desorption pressure.

17(original). The process of claim 16 further comprising the steps of:

cooling the single wall carbon nanotubes to a sorption temperature while performing said introducing step; and

heating the single wall carbon nanotubes from a sorption temperature to a desorption temperature while performing said discharging step.

18(original). The process of claim 16 further comprising the steps of:

cooling the single wall carbon nanotubes while performing said introducing step.

heating the single wall carbon nanotubes while performing said discharging step.

19(original). The process of claim 16 wherein the desorption pressure is in the range from 1 to 200 psia, and sorption pressure is in the range from 50 to 5000 psia.

20(original). The process of claim 16 wherein the desorption pressure is in the range from 14 to 50 psia, and sorption pressure is in the range from 100 to 1000 psia.

21(original). The process of claim 17 wherein the desorption temperature is in the range from 273 to 473 K and the sorption temperature is in the range from 243 to 353 K.

22(original). The process of claim 17 wherein the desorption temperature is in the range from 293 to 363 K and the sorption temperature is in the range from 273 to 323 K.

23(original). The process of claim 17 wherein the desorption pressure is in the range from 14 to 50 psia, the sorption pressure is in the range from 200 to 1000 psia, the desorption

temperature is in the range from 323 to 363 K, and the sorption temperature is in the range from 273 to 323 K.

24(previously presented). A process for the storage and release of hydrogen comprising the steps of:

providing a vessel comprising single wall carbon nanotubes comprising a plurality of bundles comprising single wall carbon nanotubes, wherein greater than 75 percent of the diameters of the single wall carbon nanotubes range from 0.4 to 0.8 nanometers and the average length of the single wall carbon nanotubes is less than or equal to 1000 nm and wherein the heat ($-\Delta H$) of hydrogen adsorption of the material is within the range from 5.3 kcal/mole H₂ to 7kcal/mole H₂

introducing hydrogen into the vessel while decreasing the temperature to a sorption temperature, and

discharging the hydrogen from the vessel by increasing the temperature from the sorption temperature to a desorption temperature.

25(cancelled).

26(cancelled).

27(cancelled).

28(cancelled).

29(cancelled).

30(cancelled).

31(cancelled).

32(cancelled).

33(cancelled).

34(cancelled).

35(cancelled).

36(cancelled).

37(previously presented). A process for the storage and release of hydrogen in a vessel comprising single wall carbon nanotubes comprising a plurality of bundles comprising single wall carbon nanotubes, wherein greater than 75 percent of the diameters of the single wall carbon nanotubes range from 0.4 to 0.8 nanometers and the average length of the single wall carbon nanotubes is less than or equal to 1000 nm and wherein the heat (-ΔH) of hydrogen adsorption of the material is within the range from 5.3 kcal/mole H₂ to 7kcal/mole H₂ wherein said process is selected from the group consisting of: pressure swing adsorption, temperature swing adsorption or pressure and temperature swing adsorption.

38(previously presented). A process for the storage of hydrogen comprising the steps of:

providing a vessel comprising single wall carbon nanotubes comprising a plurality of bundles comprising single wall carbon nanotubes, wherein greater than 75 percent of the diameters of the single wall carbon nanotubes range from 0.4 to 0.8 nanometers and the average length of the single wall carbon nanotubes is less than or equal to 1000 nm and wherein the heat (-ΔH) of hydrogen adsorption of the material is within the range from 5.3 kcal/mole H₂ to 7kcal/mole H₂

introducing hydrogen into the vessel while increasing the pressure to a sorption pressure; and

discharging the hydrogen from the vessel by decreasing the pressure from the sorption pressure to a desorption pressure.

39(original). The process of claim 38 further comprising the steps of:

cooling the single wall carbon nanotubes to a sorption temperature while performing said introducing step; and

heating the single wall carbon nanotubes from the sorption temperature to a desorption temperature while performing said discharging step.

40(original). The process of claim 38 further comprising the steps of:

cooling the single wall carbon nanotubes while performing said introducing step.

heating the single wall carbon nanotubes while performing said discharging step.

41(original). The process of claim 38 wherein the desorption pressure is in the range from 1 to 200 psia, and sorption pressure is in the range from 50 to 5000 psia.

42(original). The process of claim 38 wherein the desorption pressure is in the range from 14 to 50 psia, and sorption pressure is in the range from 100 to 1000 psia.

43(original). The process of claim 39 wherein the desorption temperature is in the range from 273 to 473 K and the sorption temperature is in the range from 243 to 353 K.

44(original). The process of claim 39 wherein the desorption temperature is in the range from 293 to 363 K and the sorption temperature is in the range from 273 to 323 K.

45(original). The process of claim 39 wherein the desorption pressure is in the range from 14 to 50 psia, the sorption pressure is in the range from 200 to 1000 psia, the desorption temperature is in the range from 323 to 363 K, and the sorption temperature is in the range from 273 to 323 K.

46(cancelled).

47(previously presented). A process for the storage and release of hydrogen comprising the steps of:

providing a vessel housing single wall carbon nanotubes comprising a plurality of bundles comprising single wall carbon nanotubes, wherein greater than 75 percent of the diameters of the single wall carbon nanotubes range from 0.4 to 0.8 nanometers and the average length of the single wall carbon nanotubes is less than or equal to 1000 nm and wherein the heat ($-\Delta H$) of hydrogen adsorption of the material is within the range from 5.3 kcal/mole H₂ to 7kcal/mole H₂ and

introducing hydrogen into the vessel while decreasing the temperature to a sorption temperature, and

discharging the hydrogen from the vessel by decreasing the pressure from the sorption pressure to a desorption pressure.

48(previously presented). A hydrogen storage material comprising : a plurality of bundles comprising single wall carbon nanotubes, wherein the diameter of the single wall carbon nanotubes are less than 7 angstroms and wherein the adsorption energy ($-\Delta E$) of the material is greater than 4.8 kcal/mole.

49(new). A material for the storage of hydrogen comprising: single wall carbon nanotubes, wherein a majority of diameters of the single wall carbon nanotubes range from about 0.4 to about 1.0 nm and the average length of the single wall carbon nanotubes is less than or equal to about 1,000 nm.

50(new). A process for the storage and release of hydrogen in a vessel comprising single wall carbon nanotubes; wherein the majority of diameters of the single wall carbon nanotubes range from about 0.4 to about 1.0 nm, and the average length of the single wall carbon nanotubes is less than about 1,000 nm; wherein said process is selected from the group consisting of: pressure swing adsorption, temperature swing adsorption or pressure and temperature swing adsorption.

51(new). A process for the storage and release of hydrogen comprising the steps of:

providing a vessel comprising single wall carbon nanotubes wherein the majority of the diameters of the single wall carbon nanotubes of the assembly range from about 0.4 to about 1.0 nm, and the average length of the single wall carbon nanotubes is less than about 1,000 nm

introducing hydrogen into the vessel while decreasing the temperature to a sorption temperature, and

discharging the hydrogen from the vessel by increasing the temperature from the sorption temperature to a desorption temperature.